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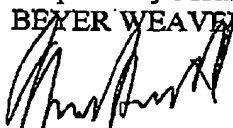
The Examiner rejected claims 1-4, 6-7, 9-12, 14-16, 18-22, 24 and 43-46 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Lee et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,970,095) in view of Patterson (U.S. Patent No. 6,294,995). The Examiner rejected claims 5 and 13 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Lee et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,970,095) in view of Patterson (U.S. Patent No. 6,294,995) and further in view of D'Angelo et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,133,830).

The Examiner has indicated that Claims 34-42 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claim. The Examiner is kindly thanked for this indication of allowability. As such, Applicant has canceled claims 34, 37, and 40 and incorporated the elements thereof into independent claims 1, 9, and 19, respectively. Additionally, claims 34-36, 38-39, and 41-42 have been amended to depend directly from claims 1, 9, and 19, respectively. As such, Applicant respectfully submits that claims 1-42 are now in condition for allowance for the reasons stated by the Examiner in the Office Action.

As to claims 43-46, independent claim 43 has been amended to incorporate the elements of claim 34. As such, Applicant respectfully submits that claims 43-46 are in condition for allowance for the same reasons as stated above with respect to claims 1-42.

Applicants believe that all pending claims are allowable and respectfully requests a Notice of Allowance for this application from the Examiner. Should the Examiner believe that a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of this application, the undersigned can be reached at the telephone number set out below.

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